

Chapter 15.24**CLEANUP AND MAINTENANCE**

(2491-7/81, 2708-12/84, 3037-5/90)

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15.24.010 Cleanup After Well Servicing. After completion of well servicing or abandonment operations, the responsible party shall pump out the cellar, clean the drill site area and repair all damage to public property caused by such servicing or abandonment operations. (2491-7/81)

15.24.020 Oil Spill Plans Required. An oil spill contingency plan or spill plan shall be required for every oil operation site, and available for inspection by the Fire Chief at any time. Plans prepared pursuant to applicable provisions of the California Administrative Code as they presently exist, or may hereafter be amended, shall satisfy the requirements of this section. (2491-7/81)

15.24.030 Cleanup After Spills, Leaks and Malfunctions. After any spill, leak or malfunction, the responsible party shall remove or cause to be removed to the satisfaction of the Fire Chief all oil and waste materials from any public or private property affected by such spill, leak or malfunction. (2491-7/81)

15.24.040 Releasing of Fluids. No person shall deposit, place, discharge or cause or permit to be placed, deposited or discharged any oil, naptha, petroleum, asphaltum, tar, hydrocarbon substances, or any refuse including waste water and brine from any oil operation, or the contents of any container used in connection with an oil operation in, into, or upon a public right-of-way, a storm drain, ditch or sewer; a sanitary drain or sewer; any portion of the Pacific Ocean or any body of water; or any private property in this city. Violations of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable as set forth in Chapter 1.16 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code. (3037-5/90)

EXCEPTION: treated waste water and brine may be discharged either into a sanitary sewer if a permit is obtained for such discharge in accordance with the provisions of this title, or into an outfall approved by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. (2491-7/81)

15.24.050 Freedom from Debris. All property on which an oil operation site is located, and the area immediately adjacent thereto and under the control of the oil operator, shall at all times be kept free of

- (a) debris;
- (b) pools of oil, water or other liquids;
- (c) weeds;
- (d) brush;
- (e) trash, or other waste material. (2491-7/81, 2708-12/84)

15.24.060 Painting. All production equipment on the oil operation site shall be kept painted and maintained at all times, including pumping units, storage tanks, heaters, and buildings or structures. Paint shall be of a neutral color, compatible with surrounding uses. Neutral colors shall include sand, grey and unobtrusive shades of green, blue and brown, or other colors approved by the Fire Chief. All production equipment shall be painted a neutral color, as defined herein, within six (6) months after the adoption of this chapter. (3037-5/90)

EXCEPTIONS: the color requirements of this section shall not apply where there are continuing and ongoing multiple drilling operations which

- (a) do not have public access;
- (b) are not adjacent to existing residential property or property that is generally planned or zoned for residential use; and
- (c) are screened from public view. (2491-7/81, 2708-12/84)

15.24.070 Gas Emission or Burning Prohibited. No person shall allow or cause or permit gases from production operations to be vented into the atmosphere or to be burned by open flame except as provided by law or as permitted by the Division of Oil and Gas and the appropriate air pollution control district. (2491-7/81, 3037-5/90)

15.24.080 Performance of Maintenance and Repair. Maintenance and repair of oil operation equipment and sites shall be performed in a timely and workmanlike manner after notice. (2708-12/84)